

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the applications.

Listings of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus for using compressed codes for information broadcast recording that comprises:

an interface that receives ~~means for entering~~ compressed codes each having at least one digit and each representative of, and compressed in length from, the combination of a ~~proper subset of the set of channel, date, time-of-day and~~ length commands for an information broadcast and each having an indicator digit indicating that the compressed code does not include or represent a date command; [[and]]

~~means for decoding~~ a decoder that decodes a compressed code having at least one digit and an indicator digit indicating that the compressed code does not include or represent a date command into a ~~proper subset of the set of~~ channel, ~~date,~~ time-of-day and length commands; and

a controller configured to have recorder start recording according to the time-of-day command during the twenty-four hour period following receipt of the compressed code.

2. (Currently amended) The apparatus for using compressed codes of claim 1 wherein each compressed code: has a length less than the length of the concatenation of said ~~incorporated proper subset of the set of channel, date, time-of-day and length commands; and~~ commands.

3. (Original) The apparatus for using compressed codes of claim 1 wherein each compressed code: comprises one or more alphanumeric characters.

4 - 17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently amended) A method for using compressed codes for information broadcast recording that comprises:

receiving compressed codes, each having at least one digit and each representative of, and compressed in length from, the combination of a ~~proper subset of the set of channel, date, time-of-day and length commands for an~~ information broadcast and each having an indicator digit indicating that the compressed code does not include or represent a date command; [[and]]

decoding a compressed code having at least one digit and an indicator digit indicating that the compressed code does

not include or represent a date command into a proper subset
of the set of channel, date, time-of-day and length commands;
and

turning the recording function of a recorder on
according to the time-of-day command during the twenty-four
hour period following receipt of the compressed code.

19-20. (Canceled).